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REMARKS

Claims 1, 4, 6, 8-10, 12, 13, and 16-22 are amended and claims 23 and 24 added herein. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1, 4-6, 8-10, 12-14 and 16-24 will be pending in the above-identified application.

Section 103

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejection of claims 1, 4-6, 8-10, 12-14, and 16-22 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,884,301 (Takano) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,360,215 (Judd).

Claims 1, 4-6, and 8-10 recite an information processing apparatus for providing position information indicative of a position of **a home page having at least one object**, the apparatus including a data base storing discrimination information assigned to the object and the position information, receiving means for receiving a search request from a terminal, **the search request including discrimination information assigned to the object**, search means for searching the data base for and finding the position information, preparing means for preparing a list of the position information found by the search means, and issue means for issuing new discrimination information assigned to the object and storing the new discrimination information on the data base when the discrimination information has not previously been registered in the data base, **addition means for adding a degree of importance to the object**, wherein **the preparing means prepares the list of the position information arranged in order of the degree of importance**.

Takano discloses a system for holding and managing content files. Judd discloses a method and apparatus for retrieving documents based on information other than document content. Takano and Judd, individually and in combination, fail to disclose or suggest an information processing apparatus for providing position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object, the apparatus including a data base storing discrimination information assigned to the object and the position information, receiving means for receiving a search request from a terminal, the search request including discrimination information assigned to the object, search means for searching the data base for and finding the position

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information, preparing means for preparing a list of the position information found by the search means, and issue means for issuing new discrimination information assigned to the object and storing the new discrimination information on the data base when the discrimination information has not previously been registered in the data base, addition means for adding a degree of importance to the object, wherein the preparing means prepares the list of the position information arranged in order of the degree of importance.

In lines 8-10 of page 5, the Office action asserts Takano teaches the addition means for adding an importance degree to the object and the preparing means preparing a list based on importance degree (citing col. 4, lines 41-45 of Takano). However, Takano does not show or suggest those features in the cited portion or otherwise.

Further regarding claim 5, the references, individually and in combination, fail to show or suggest the related information including a key word used to search for discrimination information assigned to the object, and the apparatus further including interface means for receiving the key word transmitted from the terminal and reverse processing means for searching the discrimination information corresponding to the key word received from the interface means, wherein the transmission means transmits the search result including the discrimination information to the terminal for use in creating the search request.

Further regarding claim 6, the references, individually and in combination, do not show or suggest a terminal including an audiovisual camera for obtaining discrimination information from a subject corresponding to the object, the subject being a person, product, text, other image, or representation of the person or product, the discrimination information obtained by the camera being for use in creating the search request.

Further regarding claim 9, the references, individually and in combination, do not show or suggest related information including a date, an attacher, and an object kind.

Further regarding claim 10 the references, individually and in combination, do not show or suggest the object being an image or voice and the corresponding object kind respectively being image or voice.

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Claim 12 recites a recording medium in which a program for causing a computer to execute information processing for providing **position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object** is recorded, the program including a searching step for searching for and finding position information in a data base storing discrimination information assigned to the object and the position information of the corresponding home page, a preparing step for preparing a list of the position information found in the searching step, **an adding step for adding a degree of importance to the object**, and an issuing step for issuing the discrimination information when the discrimination information has not previously been registered in the data base, wherein **the preparing step includes preparing the list of the positional information arranged in order of the degree of importance**.

Takano and Judd, considered alone and in combination, fail to disclose or suggest a recording medium in which a program for causing a computer to execute information processing for providing position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object is recorded, the program including a searching step for searching for and finding position information in a data base storing discrimination information assigned to the object and the position information of the corresponding home page, a preparing step for preparing a list of the position information found in the searching step, an adding step for adding a degree of importance to the object, and an issuing step for issuing the discrimination information when the discrimination information has not previously been registered in the data base, wherein the preparing step includes preparing the list of the positional information arranged in order of the degree of importance.

Claims 13, 14, and 16-19 recite an information processing apparatus for **requesting a server for position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object**, the apparatus including transmission means for **transmitting discrimination information assigned to the object to the server**, preparing means for preparing a list of the position information corresponding to the discrimination information, receiving means for receiving the list of the position information with respect to the home page to which the discrimination information corresponds, display control means for displaying the list of the position information,

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and request means for requesting the server to issue the discrimination information, wherein **the object is an image, text, voice, or a program.**

Takano and Judd, considered alone and in combination, fail to disclose or suggest an information processing apparatus for requesting a server for position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object, the apparatus including transmission means for transmitting discrimination information assigned to the object to the server, preparing means for preparing a list of the position information corresponding to the discrimination information, receiving means for receiving the list of the position information with respect to the home page to which the discrimination information corresponds, display control means for displaying the list of the position information, and request means for requesting the server to issue the discrimination information, wherein the object is an image, text, voice, or a program.

Further regarding claim 16, the references, individually and in combination, do not show or suggest interface means for requesting the server to search for the discrimination information by a key word.

Further regarding claim 19, the references, individually and in combination, do not show or suggest addition means for adding a degree of importance to said object, wherein said preparing means prepares the list of position information arranged in order of said degree of importance.

Claim 20 recites an information processing method for **requesting a server for position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object**, including a transmission step for transmitting discrimination information assigned to the object to the server, a receiving step for receiving a list of the position information with respect to the home page to which the discrimination information corresponds, a display step for displaying the list of the position information, and an issuing step for issuing the discrimination information when the discriminating information has not previously been registered in the data base, wherein **the object is an image, text, voice, or program.**

Takano and Judd, considered alone and in combination, fail to disclose or suggest an information processing method for requesting a server for position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object, including

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a transmission step for transmitting discrimination information assigned to the object to the server, a receiving step for receiving a list of the position information with respect to the home page to which the discrimination information corresponds, a display step for displaying the list of the position information, and an issuing step for issuing the discrimination information when the discriminating information has not previously been registered in the data base, wherein the object is an image, text, voice, or program.

Claim 21 recites a recording medium having a program recorded therein, the program causing a computer to execute **information processing for requesting a server for position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object**, the program including a **transmission step for transmitting discrimination information assigned to the object to the server**, a receiving step for receiving a list of the position information with respect to the home page to which the discrimination information corresponds, a display step for displaying the list of position information, and an issuing step for issuing the discrimination information when the discrimination information has not previously been registered in the data base, wherein **the object is an image, text, voice, or program**.

Neither Takano nor Judd, considered alone and in combination, disclose or suggest a recording medium having a program recorded therein, the program causing a computer to execute information processing for requesting a server for position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object, the program including a transmission step for transmitting discrimination information assigned to the object to the server, wherein the object is an image, text, voice, or program.

Claim 22 recites an information network system comprising a **server for providing position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object** and a terminal for requesting the position information from the server, the server including first receiving means for receiving a search request including discrimination information assigned to the object transmitted from the terminal, **search means for searching for and finding the position information corresponding to the search request to search in a data base for storing discrimination information assigned to the object and the position information of the corresponding home**

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page, preparing means for preparing a list of the position information found by the search means, and first transmission means for transmitting the list of position information to the terminal, wherein the terminal includes audiovisual sensing means for obtaining audio and/or visual data corresponding to discrimination information of a subject corresponding to the object, the subject being a person, animal, plant, product, text, other image, or representation of the person, animal, plant, or product, second transmission means for transmitting discrimination information assigned to the object to the server, second receiving means for receiving the list of the position information with respect to the home page to which the discrimination information corresponds, and display control means for displaying the list of position information.

Neither Takano nor Judd, considered alone and in combination, disclose or suggest an information network system comprising a server for providing position information indicative of a position of a home page having at least one object, search means for searching for and finding the position information corresponding to the search request to search in a data base for storing discrimination information assigned to the object and the position information of the corresponding home page, wherein the terminal includes audiovisual sensing means for obtaining audio and/or visual data corresponding to discrimination information of a subject corresponding to the object, the subject being a person, animal, plant, product, text, other image, or representation of the person, animal, plant, or product, and second transmission means for transmitting discrimination information assigned to the object to the server.

Because the references, individually and in combination, do not teach or suggest every feature recited in claims 1, 4-6, 8-10, 12-14, and 16-22, the Section 103 rejection of them is improper. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the rejection be withdrawn.

Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that there is any issue that could be resolved by an interview, Applicant requests the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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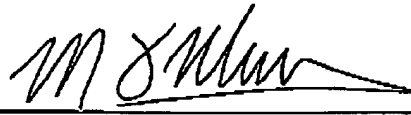
As it is believed the application is in condition for allowance, favorable action and a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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